

REMARKS

This Amendment filed in response to the Office Action mailed on November 16, 2007 is believed to fully address each of the points raised in the Office Action and thus reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the amendment, claims 5 and 6 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-4 are canceled and claims 5-6 are newly added. Support for claims 5-6 are found by, for example, the disclosure of the specification, at page 15, lines 14-25. No new matter has been introduced and thus entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Examiner for acknowledging claim for foreign priority and the receipt of the certified copy of the priority document.

Objection of claim 1

Claim 1 is objected on the ground that it does not end with a period. Claim 1 is canceled and thus the objection is rendered moot. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

In the Office Action, claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by IL HWA CO., LTD (KR 2003-0065273) (“KR ‘273”).

KR ‘273 is relied upon to disclose a composition containing the compound K (20-O-13-D-glucopyranosyl-20(S)protopanaxadiol).

Claims 1-4 are canceled, rendering the rejection moot.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claims 5-6 are not anticipated by KR '273. KR '273 fails to teach or suggest the activity or use of the compound K in promoting hyaluronic acid.

Therefore new claims 5-6 are allowable over KR '273. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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